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<u>REMARKS</u>

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Claims 1-14 and 18-20 are pending in the present application. Claims 5-7, 15-17 and 21-30 were withdrawn, with Claims 5-7 being rejoined, and Claims 1-10 were allowed. Claims 11-14, 18-20 were examined, and stand rejected. In response, Claim 11 is amended, Claims 15-17 and 21-30 are cancelled and no claims are added. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of pending Claims 1-14, 18 and 19 and withdrawal of the rejections of record in view of such amendments and the following remarks.

ĭ. Objection to the Specification

The Examiner has objected to the specification under 35 U.S.C. §132(a) for introducing new matter into the disclosures; specifically, the added material which is not supported by the original disclosure is as follows: the removal of the transmission media from the broader machine readable media has created a new matter issue by deletion.

In response, Applicants amend the specification by reinserting the transmission media into the specification and making paragraph 68 identical to that of the original specification. Accordingly, in view of Applicants' amendment to the specification, Applicants request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the 35 U.S.C. 132(a) rejection of the specification.

II. Claims Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §112

The Examiner has rejected Claims 11-14 and 18-20 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, for failing to comply with the written description requirement. More specifically, the Examiner points out that the deletion of material in the specification regarding machine readable media, Claims 11-14 and 18-20 have failed to meet the written description requirement.

In response, Applicants amend Claim 11 as follows:

An article of manufacture including a machine readable storage medium having stored thereon instructions which may be used to program a system to perform a method, comprising.

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Applicants submit that the above amendment of Claim II, as well ass dependent Claims 12-14 and 18-20, restricts the media on which the instructions are stored to include only the first group of tangible media. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph rejection of Claims 11-14 and 18-20.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that Claims 1-14 and 18-20 patentably define the subject invention over the cited references of record, and are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would be useful in moving the case forward, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-3800.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17, particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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